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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.111 and 1.115

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed April 11, 1997. The time set for this response is July 11, 1997.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the amendments and remarks presented below.

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Thrice Amended) A defective recombinant adenovirus comprising
[the] ITR sequences,
an encapsulation sequence, and
a heterologous DNA sequence,

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